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OFFICIAL REPORTS

Bridgewater N. H.

1930

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

Selectmen, Clerk, Treasurer, Road Agents, School Board and Other Officials

OF THE

TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER

FOR

THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1930

BRISTOL, N. H.
MUSGROVE PRINTING HOUSE
1930

TOWN OFFICERS

TOWN CLERK
JOHN L. MORRISON

SELECTMEN
G. THORNTON YOUNG HARRIS W. HAMMOND
ALBA H. CARPENTER

TREASURER
SHERMAN S. FLETCHER

COLLECTOR OF TAXES
JOSEPH H. MORRISON

CONSTABLE
REGINALD C. MORRILL

ROAD AGENTS
HARRY W. SMITH ROBERT W. GILPATRIC

AUDITOR
EDITH E. PERKINS

MODERATOR
SHERMAN S. FLETCHER

HEALTH OFFICER
JOSEPH H. MORRISON

FIRE WARDEN
SHERMAN S. FLETCHER

SUPERVISORS

GEO. W. SNOW ETHEL M. YOUNG
EDWIN D. MORRILL

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

SHERMAN S. FLETCHER DAVID B. CLEMENT
ELDORUS SMITH

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

JOSEPHINE H. FLETCHER H. N. M. MORRISON
MILAN A. BAILEY

SCHOOL BOARD

SHERMAN S. FLETCHER EDITH E. PERKINS
JOSEPH H. MORRISON

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bridgewater in County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs;

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Bridgewater on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing, and to choose a Selectman for the three years ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation for same.

3. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise for the Maintenance of Highways and Bridges.

4. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of the law in regard to Trunk Line Maintenance of Highways.

5. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of the law in regard to State Aid Construction of Highways.

6. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of the law in regard to State Aid Maintenance of Highways.

7. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of the law in regard to State Aid on Bridges and make appropriation for same.

8. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise for Snow Removal.

9. To see what action the Town will vote to take in regard to the Improvement of the northerly section of the Point Road, so called, to make the necessary appropriation and elect an agent.

10. To see what action the Town will vote to take in regard to establishing a fund for the future replacement of Snow Removal Equipment and make appropriation for same.

11. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise for the Observance of Old Home Day.

12. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise for the Observance of Memorial Day.

13. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-first day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty.

G. T. YOUNG,
H. W. HAMMOND,
A. H. CARPENTER,
Selectmen of Bridgewater.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:—

G. T. YOUNG,
H. W. HAMMOND,
A. H. CARPENTER,
Selectmen of Bridgewater.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

INVENTORY FOR THE YEAR 1929

		Valuation
Lands and buildings		$ 432,850.00
Horses, 38		3,390.00
Oxen, 6		600.00
Cows, 50		4,485.00
Neat stock, 18		1,545.00
Sheep, 15		105.00
Hogs, 4		70.00
Fowl		130.00
Fur bearing animals, 2		14.00
Boats and launches		6,980.00
Wood and lumber		3,160.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks, 12		1,850.00
Polls, 99, at $2	$ 198.00	
National bank stock taxes	10.00	
Total valuation		$ 455,179.00
Amount of taxes committed to collector		$ 10,946.00
Polls		198.00
National bank stock tax		10.00
		$ 11,154.00
Rate per cent	$ 0.0240	

AMOUNTS RAISED

Town charges	$ 250.00
Highways and bridges (Town)	3,000.00
Trunk line maintenance	1,150.00
State aid construction	639.00

State aid maintenance	$ 100.00
Barber bridge	2,000.00
Union bridge, repairs and painting	200.00
Blister rust control	200.00
Old Home day	15.00
Memorial day	12.00
Schools	4,021.34
County tax	1,203.21
State tax	1,263.60
	$ 14,054.15

STATEMENT OF ASSETS

Cash: In hands of treasurer Feb. 1, 1930	$ 1,274.41
In hands of tax collector	38.40
Due from state	
Forestry department, unexpended blister rust money	.50
Joint highway accounts, S. A. C.	.07
S. A. M.	57.17
Daniel Webster highway, T. L. M.	644.45
Due from county	
Repairs and painting Union bridge (approx.)	110.00
Bounties	26.60
Town of Plymouth, repairs Union bridge (approx.)	110.00
Town of Hebron, snow removal	20.00
Town of Bristol, perambulation	3.50
Uncollected taxes, levy of 1929	208.20
	$ 2,493.30

STATEMENT OF LIABILITIES

Due to school district, dog licenses, 1929		$ 67.80
Joint highway accounts		
Unexpended balance in state treasury		701.69
Unexpended balance in town treasury		272.05
Forestry department		
Unexpended balance in state treasury		.50
		$ 1,042.04

Surplus, Jan. 31, 1929	$ 3,364.29
Surplus, Jan. 31, 1930	1,451.26
Decrease of surplus	$ 1,913.03

LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall, building	$ 1,200.00
Furniture	50.00
Libraries, books	200.00
Highway department, tractor house	300.00
Equipment	4,000.00
Schools, land and buildings	2,000.00
Equipment	200.00
	$ 7,950.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received:	
Balance Feb. 1, 1929	$ 3,095.58
From selectmen	11,030.08
From tax collector, 1928	240.72
From tax collector, 1929	10,901.00
From town clerk, dog licenses	67.80
From town clerk, automobile permits	377.15
	$ 25,712.33
Paid:	
On selectmen's orders	$ 24,437.92
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1930	1,274.41
	$ 25,712.33

S. S. FLETCHER,
Treasurer.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Property taxes committed to collector, 1929	$ 10,946.00	
Less uncollected, 1929	202.20	
Property taxes, current year, actually collected		$ 10,743.80
Poll taxes, current year, actually collected, 91 at $2		182.00
Property and poll taxes, previous years, actually collected		232.98
National bank stock taxes		10.00
Total of above collections		$ 11,168.78
From state		
State aid on Barber bridge	$ 400.00	
Snow removal	33.05	
State aid maintenance	191.32	
State aid construction	579.74	
Trunk line maintenance	2,842.39	
Class V highways	303.89	
Interest and dividend tax	3,147.87	
Insurance tax	7.50	
Railroad tax	11.16	
Savings bank tax	494.06	
Forest fires, warden's expenses	3.10	
		$ 8,014.08
From local sources, except taxes		
Dog licenses	$ 67.80	
Interest on taxes	11.34	
Registration of motor vehicles, 1929	258.13	

Registration of motor vehicles, 1930	$ 119.02	
Cement sold from Barber bridge job	16.00	
		$ 472.29
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes		3,000.00
		$ 22,655.15
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1929		3,095.58
		$ 25,750.73

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Town officers' salaries	$ 388.00
Town officers' expenses	117.09
Fire department, including forest fires	83.20
Blister rust control	200.00
Bounties	18.60
Vital statistics	1.00
Highways and bridges	
State aid maintenance	395.72
Trunk line maintenance	4,112.22
Town maintenance	3,148.88
Snow removal	1,750.64
Union bridge repairs	278.76
Library tax	18.90
Old Home day appropriation	15.00
Town reports	33.00
Miscellaneous	4.81
Interest on temporary loans	81.00
New construction, state aid construction	1,218.72
Barber bridge	3,035.63
Payments on temporary loans	3,000.00
Taxes paid to state	1,263.60
Taxes paid to county	1,203.21
Payments to school district	4,069.94
	$ 24,437.92
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1930	1,312.81
	$ 25,750.73

PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS

H. W. Hammond, selectman	$ 80.50
A. H. Carpenter, selectman	61.05
G. T. Young, selectman	98.50
S. S. Fletcher, treasurer	31.50
John L. Morrison, town clerk	45.00
Joseph H. Morrison, collector of taxes	75.00
Edith E. Perkins, auditor, 1928	3.00
Reginald C. Morrill, police officer	15.00
John C. Ray, town officers' bonds	80.00
N. H. Assessors Association, dues, 1929	4.00
E. C. Eastman & Co., office supplies	8.71
R. E. Lane, dog license book	2.83
	$ 505.09

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Paid Bristol Fire Precinct for services at Roy Smith cottage	$ 77.00
Bounties	18.60
Warden's expenses at Fire Warden's meeting	6.20
Blister rust control	200.00
	$ 301.80
Vital statistics	$ 1.00

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

State Aid Maintenance

W. E. Martin, patrolman:

Labor and team	$ 334.50
Gravel	43.20

Railing and posts		$ 6.32
Painting railing		11.70
Total paid by town		$ 395.72
Expended by state	$ 13.08	
Received from state	191.32	
	$ 204.40	

Money available	State	Town	Total
Balance Feb. 1, 1929	$ 161.57	$ 161.56	$ 323.13
Appropriation, 1929	100.00	100.00	200.00
Total available	$ 261.57	$ 261.56	$ 523.13
Expended	204.40	204.40	408.80
Balance, Feb. 1, 1930	$ 57.17	$ 57.16	$ 114.33

Trunk Line Maintenance

Sunapee trunk line, C. E. Ross, patrolman:

C. E. Ross, labor, truck and material		$ 3,644.91
F. F. Fenton, oiling		355.57
Credit by state for error, 1928 account		163.00
Paid by town in 1928		46.67
Paid by town in 1930		10.00
Total paid by town		$ 4,220.15
Expended by state	$ 1,290.88	
Received from state	2,842.39	
	$ 4,133.27	

Money available	State	Town	Total
Appropriation 1929	$ 3,000.00	$ 1,000.00	$ 4,000.00
Excess appropriation	1,133.27	377.76	1,511.03
Total	$ 4,133.27	$ 1,377.76	$ 5,511.03
Expended	$ 4,133.27	$ 1,377.76	$ 5,511.03

Daniel Webster Highway, S. J. Cotton patrolman:

Labor and truck		$ 121.74
Expended by state	$ 365.22	

Money available	State	Town	Total
Balance, Feb. 1, 1929	$ 559.67	$ 186.56	$ 746.23
Appropriation, 1929	450.00	150.00	600.00
Total available	$ 1,009.67	$ 336.56	$ 1,346.23
Expended	365.22	121.74	486.96
Balance, Feb. 1, 1930	$ 644.45	$ 214.82	$ 859.27

State Aid Construction

River Road, A. H. Carpenter, agent:

Labor and teams		$ 1,146.78
118 Loads fill		17.70
179 Loads gravel		35.80
30 Posts at 30c		9.00
Nails, dynamite, etc.		9.39
Total paid by town		$ 1,218.67
Paid by state	$ 59.19	
Received from state	579.74	
	$ 638.93	

Money available	State	Town	Total
Appropriation, 1929	$ 639.00	$ 639.00	$ 1,278.00
Expended	638.93	638.93	1,277.86
Balance, Feb. 1, 1930	$ 0.07	$ 0.07	$ 0.14

Barber bridge, R. W. Dearborn, agent:

Labor and teams		$ 1,691.47
Lumber		67.24
Fill, 129 loads		19.35
Sand, 117 loads		29.25
Gravel, Vogel & Hadley, 129 tons		270.61
Cement, C. N. Merrill & Son, 800 bags at 70c		560.00
Steel, Kittredge Bridge Co.		315.00
Guard rails and posts		20.10
Miscellaneous items		62.61
Total paid by town		$ 3,035.63
Received from state	$ 400.00	

Union bridge, repairs and painting,
A. H. Carpenter, agent:

Labor, re-planking	$ 65.00
Lumber, J. E. Reed & Son	196.81
Rails, E. W. Sanborn	11.50
Patching	4.95
	$ 278.76

Town of Ashland, bill for painting, received after 1929 account closed		
Labor painting	$ 87.00	
Paint	78.75	
	$ 165.75	
	278.76	
Total cost	$ 444.51	
Due from Plymouth and county	296.34	
Actual cost to town	$ 148.17	

Snow Removal

D. A. Bucklin, agent:		
Plowing: labor, self and helper		$ 379.74
Greasing and oiling tractor		41.95
Gasoline		225.33
Oil and grease		36.75
General repairs on plow, labor and material		71.22
Repairs on tractor, labor and parts	$ 133.16	
Annual overhauling	107.20	
		$ 240.36
Clutch repairs, towing	$ 50.00	
New clutch	183.00	
Labor	72.50	
		$ 305.50
Grousers, ½ set and trucking	$ 116.84	
Labor	24.00	
		$ 140.84

Plow hoist, steel	$ 17.44	
Chain falls and hardware	56.50	
Welding	2.48	
Labor	53.00	
		$ 129.42
Painting, labor and paint		4.80
Stove wood		22.50
Insurance on tractor, 1929		46.50
Insurance on tractor, 1930		34.50
Land rental for tractor house		25.00
Hardware for tractor house, 1928 bill		8.98
Hand shovelling		37.25
Total		$ 1,750.64

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

Harry W. Smith, Agent, West Side

Paid:

Alvah Carr, bridge plank	$ 61.11
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., culvert	50.60
H. J. Follansbee, tools, spikes, etc.	12.84
F. E. Bailey, gravel and labor	5.00
Eldorus Smith, team	1.50
D. A. Bucklin, repairs to road machine	2.00
Charles Spencer, labor	3.50
John E. Morrill, labor	9.00
Reginald C. Morrill, labor	10.50
James Bryan, labor	22.75
Zach Brock, truck	111.75
Ed. D. Morrill, labor	50.75
W. S. H. Remick, dynamite	19.45
H. W. Smith, 170 loads gravel at 15c	25.50
Everett Morrill, labor	253.75
Ira Morrill, labor	342.50
F. W. Clement, labor	3.50
G. T. Young, labor	1.50
Charles E. Page, labor	1.00
H. W. Smith, labor and team	640.50
Damage to Hardy car	21.00
	$ 1,650.00

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

R. W. Gilpatric, Agent, East Side

Paid:

Leonard Mitchell, labor	$ 7.80
W. E. Martin, labor and team	14.00
B. T. Nichols, labor	12.50
Kenneth Jenness, labor	10.00
L. H. Seavey, labor	13.50
C. C. Fletcher, labor	7.00
O. A. Brown, labor	6.50
Verton Gilpatric, labor	36.50
G. Anderson, labor	29.25
R. G. Gilpatric, labor	243.40
Leslie Park, labor	14.00
J. L. Jenness, labor	99.50
G. W. Cass, labor and gravel	166.40
Paul Youngman, labor	46.00
A. W. Stoll, labor	23.99
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., culvert	57.20
Miscellaneous bills	45.24
R. W. Gilpatric, labor and team	666.10
	$ 1,498.88

SETTLEMENT WITH COLLECTORS

Joseph H. Morrison, collector, 1929:

To amount of tax list		$ 11,137.20
Tax added		16.80
Interest		3.60
		$ 11,157.60
By cash paid treasurer		$ 10,901.00
By abatements		
Belle M. Garey, over 70 years	$ 2.00	
Frank Jewell, left town	2.00	
Edith Jewell, left town	2.00	
J. Wesley Brown, over 70 years	2.00	
Marion B. Keveney, paid in Boston	2.00	
		$ 10.00
Uncollected, Feb. 1, 1930		208.20
Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1930		38.40
		$ 11,157.60
Interest on hand, Feb. 1, 1930		$ 0.51

Uncollected, Feb. 1, 1930	Tax	Interest
Estate of Cora M. Cass	$ 13.20	$ 0.22
Charles Drew	35.60	.60
Addie B. Folsom	51.60	.87
Lester Park	2.00	.03
Alice M. Brogan	1.40	.22
Martin W. Powers	84.00	1.43
Minnie Seavey	16.80	.29
Cities Service Co.	3.60	.06
	$ 208.20	$ 3.72

Joseph H. Morrison, collector, 1928:

Uncollected, Feb. 1, 1929	$ 232.81
Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1929	.17
Interest	7.74
	$ 240.72
By cash paid treasurer	$ 240.72

Joseph H. Morrison, collector, 1927:

Uncollected, Feb. 1, 1929	$ 2.00
By abatements, Walter E. Blake	$ 2.00

G. T. YOUNG,
H. W. HAMMOND,
A. H. CARPENTER,
Selectmen of Bridgewater.

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Road Agents, Tax Collector, Town Clerk and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

EDITH E. PERKINS, Auditor.

TRUST FUNDS

Emerson cemetery fund	$ 525.00
Old Home cemetery fund	760.00
Whittemore Point cemetery fund	700.00
Webster cemetery fund	68.00
Cross fund for care Webster cemetery	85.00
	$ 2,138.00

Paid:

Emerson cemetery, care	$ 5.00
Old Home cemetery, care	7.00
Whittemore Point cemetery, care	5.00
Webster fund	
Cross fund	
Balance in N. H. Savings Bank	2,121.00
	$ 2,138.00

S. S. FLETCHER,
D. B. CLEMENT,
E. SMITH,
Trustees of Bridgewater.

OLD HOME DAY

Received from last year	$ 8.59
Received from town	15.00
	$ 23.59

Paid:	
50 lbs. Beans	$ 6.00
4 lbs. Coffee	2.00
Molasses	.30
2 lbs. Butter	1.10
500 Paper plates	2.00
4 qts. Milk	.40
6 Bread	.66
12 lbs. Pork	2.40
5 lbs. Sugar	.30
2 Large pans	2.00
Baking beans	5.00
Balance on hand	1.43
	$ 23.59

S. S. FLETCHER, Agent.

LIBRARY REPORT

Cash in bank	$ 281.44
Library tax	18.90
	$ 300.34

Paid:	
E. J. Bailey, care of books	$ 5.00
H. N. M. Morrison, care of books	5.00
J. H. Fletcher, care of books	5.00
For new books	11.70
Balance on hand	273.64
	$ 300.34

J. H. FLETCHER,
H. N. M. MORRISON,
MILAN BAILEY,
Trustees.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRIDGEWATER
ANNUAL REPORT, 1928-1929

OFFICERS AND STAFF

School Board—Sherman S. Fletcher, Chairman; Mrs. Edith E. Perkins, J. H. Morrison.

Moderator—Sherman S. Fletcher.

Clerk—Josephine H. Fletcher.

Auditor—Eugene F. Perkins.

Enumerator—Cyrus C. Fletcher.

Superintendent of Schools—Vincent Gatto, A.B., LL.B., Ed.M.

Teachers—Miss Alice W. Ashley, Plymouth Normal School, 1928; Miss Zanita Spencer, Plymouth Normal School, 1929.

SOME STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR

Hill School—Teacher, Helen Merrill; number of pupils, 6; half days in session, 354; per cent of attendance, 95.10; number of tardinesses, 42; number of visits by citizens, 7; number of visits by school board, 2; number of visits by superintendent, 13.

River Road—Teacher, Alice Ashley; number of pupils, 18; half days in session, 356; per cent of attendance, 96.29; number of tardinesses, 7; number of visits by citizens, 26; number of visits by school board, 4; number of visits by superintendent, 19.

The following pupils from the schools indicated as given below attained the distinction of perfect attendance for the terms indicated, for the year 1928-1929, and receive honorable mention:

River Road School—Perfect attendance for one term: Beatrice Cass, Eda Cass, Kenneth Wiser, Ernest Wiser. Perfect attendance for two terms: Elizabeth Atwood, Marjorie Atwood, Donald Atwood, Forrest Drew, Bernice Wiser.

Hill School—Perfect attendance for one term, none. Perfect attendance for two terms: Blanche Avery. Perfect attendance for three terms: Melvin Gilpatric, Hazel Gilpatric.

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT

1928-1929

Cash on hand June 30, 1928		$ 0.00
Received from selectmen		
Appropriations for current year	$ 3,784.79	
Dog tax	55.20	
Received from state treasurer	671.48	
Money borrowed	26.32	
		$ 4,537.79
Total amount available for fiscal year		$ 4,537.79
Less school board orders paid		$ 4,537.79
Balance on hand June 30, 1929		$ 0.00

JOSEPHINE H. FLETCHER,
District Treasurer.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

RECEIPTS

State aid, equalization fund		$ 671.48
Income from local taxation		
For support of elementary schools	$ 2,714.79	
Payment of secondary tuition	800.00	
Salaries of district officers	200.00	
Per capita tax	70.00	
		$ 3,784.79
From sources other than taxation		
Dog licenses	$ 55.20	
Borrowed money from 1929-30	26.32	
		$ 81.52
Total receipts from all sources		$ 4,537.79
Cash on hand July 1, 1928		0.00
Grand total		$ 4,537.79

EXPENDITURES

Salaries of district officers	$ 45.00
Superintendent's excess salary	117.24
Truant officers and school census	5.64
Expenses of administration	11.56
Teachers' salaries	1,877.00
Text books	28.58
Scholars' supplies	46.62
Flags and appurtenances	7.83
Other expenses of instruction	5.07
Janitor service	37.00
Fuel	84.00

Water, light, janitor's supplies	$ 10.18
Minor repairs and expenses	77.82
Medical inspection	18.75
Transportation of pupils	780.00
Elementary school tuition	273.00
High school tuition	958.72
Other special activities	3.00
Per capita tax	70.00
New equipment	55.98
Payments of bills from previous year	24.80
Total payments	$ 4,537.79

* $3.50 per $1,000 of taxable inventory is minimum required by law.

† To apply for state aid $3,083.54 must be raised for elementary schools.

‡ Equalized valuation is $616,708.00.

SCHOOL BOARD'S BUDGET FOR 1930-1931

Support of schools		
Teachers' salaries		$ 1,850.00
Text books		30.00
Scholars' supplies		40.00
Flags and appurtenances		5.00
Other expenses of instruction		10.00
Janitor service		74.00
Fuel		106.00
Water, light, janitors' supplies		10.00
Minor repairs and expenses		50.00
Health supervision (medical inspection)		40.00
Transportation of pupils		720.00
Payment of elementary tuitions		216.00
Other special activities		10.00
		$ 3,161.00
Other statutory requirements		
Salaries of district officers	$ 60.00	
Truant officer and school census	5.00	
Payment of tuition in high schools and academies	721.00	
Superintendent's excess salary (Fixed by supervisory union)	117.34	
Per capita tax	78.00	
Other obligations	5.00	
		$ 986.34
Total amount required to meet school board's budget		$ 4,147.34

Estimated income of district		
State aid (December, 1930, allotment)	$ 180.00	
Dog tax (estimate)	66.00	
		$ 246.00
		$ 3,901.34
Special appropriations proposed, repairs		50.00
		$ 3,951.34
Total assessment required to cover budget and appropriations		$ 3,951.34

S. S. FLETCHER,
EDITH E. PERKINS,
J. H. MORRISON,
School Board.

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

In Bridgewater, N. H., May 28, 1929, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Jewell, a son.

MARRIAGES

In Ashland, N. H., May 27, 1929, Gustav Anderson to Florence Saville.

DEATHS

In Bridgewater, N. H., February 12, 1929, Hannah W. Flanders, aged 83 years, 10 months, 4 days.

In Bridgewater, N. H., July 6, 1929, Ida E. Cass, aged 74 years, 12 days.

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